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A MESSAGE FROM ATLA PRESIDENT TURNER

A Texas-sized welcome and program await you in Toronto. Our host, Neil Smith, has made extensive preparations for our comfort; our vice-president, Mrs. Pamela Quiers, has structured a program of depth and range.

Don't let thirteen hex you. It was bound to come . . . and bound to pass. The transition has been made as smooth as possible. We can assure you that although the presidential address will be dull, it will be short. Anyway it comes early, and three more days of program will take away the taste. The papers scheduled look exciting, and they are being launched by people whose judgment we trust. Their wise words will help translate our ineptness into real service.

We will frolic by ourselves this year. Joint meetings with other organizations take on something of the atmosphere of "big brother is watching." We're outsiders. Our greatest discomfort comes when we try to be insiders. Thus, by this declension, we will be free in Toronto to reform the world; lay plans for an orbiting seminary library in space; cast reflections on the sainted mothers of presidents and deans; cheer good Queen Bess; espouse the causes of creed, deed, and mead--the possibilities are endless.

Before these rare days come, however, there is some homework to be done. Might I urge that (1) you reply promptly and fully to the "Registration Form" already in your hands from our host; (2) that committee chairmen get their reports ready . . . AND WRITTEN -- this will help our Secretary in the back-breaking labor of getting out the Proceedings; and (3) if committee chairmen have financial requests for the support of the work of their committees, these requests be filed as soon as possible with the President or Treasurer in order that the Executive Committee may take action at one of its meetings on Tuesday, June 16.

-- So, let's away to North of the Border. Bed and board and program await our coming!

-- Decherd Turner

PROGRAM

American Theological Library Association
Thirteenth Annual Conference, Toronto, Canada, June 16 - 19, 1959
Host: Knox College, Mr. Neil G. Smith, Librarian

TUESDAY, June 16

9:00 a.m. Executive Committee Meeting and other committee meetings

2:00 p.m. Presiding: Miss Margaret Ray, Victoria University
Invocation: Mr. Theodore L. Trost, Colgate Rochester Divinity School
Official Greetings from Representative of Host Institution: The Reverend Principal J. Stanley Glen
Instructions: Mr. Neil G. Smith

3:00 p.m. Presidential Address: "My Favorite Four-Letter Word" - Mr. Decherd Turner, Jr., Perkins School of Theology
Temporary Committee Appointments: Auditing, Nominating, and Resolutions Committees, and Election Tellers.

7:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting, and other committee meetings

WEDNESDAY, June 17

10:00 a.m. Presiding: Mr. Roland E. Kircher, Wesley Theological Seminary
Invocation: Dr. Francis Bouquet, San Francisco Theological Seminary
Additional Instructions: Mr. Neil G. Smith
Committee Reports: Tellers' Committee on Election Results
Building and Equipment, Dr. Arnold D. Ehlert
Membership, Dr. Charles P. Johnson
Periodical Exchange, Miss Susan A. Schultz

11:00 a.m. Paper: "A Serials Program for Theological Libraries" - Father Jules Moreau, Seabury-Western Theological Seminary

12:00 noon Luncheon meetings devoted to denominational planning sessions

2:00 p.m. Presiding: Dr. J. Stillson Judah, Pacific School of Religion
Paper: "The Minister and His Continuing Education" - Dr. Connolly Gamble, Union Theological Seminary in Richmond
Brief Recess

3:00 p.m. Committee Reports: Placement, Mr. Theodore L. Trost
Newsletter, Miss Betty Jane Highfield
Seal, Mr. Edgar Krentz

4:00 p.m. Paper: "Roman Catholic Theological Literature and the Protestant Librarian" - Mr. Edgar Krentz, Concordia Theological Seminary

PROGRAM - Continued

WEDNESDAY, June 17 - Continued

7:00 p.m. Presiding: Mr. William Robarts, Union Theological Seminary in New York
Paper: "Church Union in Canada, an Historical and Bibliographical Study" - Dr. Kenneth H. Cousland, Principal, Emmanuel College, Toronto
Brief Recess

8:00 p.m. Board Reports: Microtext, Dr. Raymond P. Morris
Periodical Indexing, Dr. Jannette E. Newhall
Treasurer's Report, Mr. Harold Prince
Committee Report: Auditing

THURSDAY, June 18

9:00 a.m. Presiding: Miss Elizabeth Hughey, Methodist Publishing House in Nashville
Worship Service: Dr. Leo T. Crismon, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
Instructions regarding afternoon tour: Mr. Neil G. Smith
Committee Report: Cataloging and Classification, Miss Olive M. Grobel
Paper: "Seek and Ye Shall Find" - Miss Clara Allen, Fuller Theological Seminary
Brief Recess

10:30 a.m. Symposium on the theme "Ways and Means of Theological Library Cooperation":

a. Paper: "A Preliminary Survey of Some of the Existing Patterns of Intra-Denominational Library Cooperation in the United States" - Mr. Roscoe Pierson, College of the Bible
b. Paper: (on areal cooperation) - Mr. Elton E. Shell, Southern California School of Theology
c. Paper: "Cooperative Cataloging: Dream or Reality?" (application of Dawson article in January 1957 Library Quarterly to theological libraries) - Miss Ruth C. Eisenhart, Union Theological Seminary in New York
d. Discussion and Summary, Mr. James Tanis, Harvard Divinity School

12:00 noon Luncheon meetings devoted to areal planning sessions

2:30 p.m. Walking Tour of Toronto Area Libraries:
University of Toronto Library
Ontario Legislative and Provincial Archives
Library of Pontifical Institute of Medieval Studies
Library of Emmanuel College (tea will be served at this stop)
Library of Trinity College and Wycliffe College

PROGRAM - Continued

THURSDAY, June 18 - Continued

6:30 p.m. Presiding: Mr. Neil G. Smith
Banquet at the Deniel Wilson Dining Hall of the University of Toronto
Introduction of Guests: Mr. Decherd Turner, Jr.
Address: Dr. A. B. B. Moore, President, Victoria University, University of Toronto
Music with a local flavor

FRIDAY, June 19

9:30 a.m. Presiding: Mr. Decherd Turner, Jr.
Invocation: Mr. Ernest White, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary
Reports: ATLA Representative on ALA Committee on Reprinting, Dr. Niels H. Sonne
ATLA Representative on ALA Council, Mr. Ernest White
International Association of Theological Libraries, Dr. Frank M. Vanderhoof
Financial Assistance from Foundations, Dr. Kenneth S. Gapp
Library of Congress Acquisitions Program in Religion, Dr. Niels H. Sonne
Treasurer's Recommended Budget, Mr. Harold Prince
Brief Recess
10:30 a.m. Informal talk on his recent tour of foreign libraries: Dr. Raymond P. Morris, Yale Divinity School
Report: Resolutions Committee
Closing Business Session
Adjournment until 1960

NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR 1960 ANNOUNCED

Mrs. Pamela R. Quiers, Vice-president and President-elect of ATLA, announces that the Nominating Committee for 1960 will be composed of the following persons: Miss Magdalen Friesen, Chairman, Mennonite Biblical Seminary, 3003 Benham Avenue, Elkhart, Indiana; Miss Isabelle Stouffer, Speer Library, Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, New Jersey; and Dr. Francis L. Bouquet, San Francisco Theological Seminary, San Anselmo, California. Early announcement of the constituency of the Nominating Committee has been made so that ATLA members may make suggestions to the Committee members at the 1959 Conference in Toronto of possible nominees for the 1960 slate of officers.

CANADIAN TRAVEL INFORMATION

The Newsletter, in cooperation with Mr. Neil G. Smith, has assembled the following travel information which may be of interest and help to those ATLA members who are visiting Canada for the first time when they attend the ATLA Conference in June.

No passport or other document is required to enter or leave Canada and there is no entry fee or tax. Travelers returning to the United States may find that U. S. immigration officers require proof of identity and place of residence. Any of the following will prove satisfactory: an old passport, birth or baptismal certificate, voter's certificate, car license, driver's license, or letter of identification from a bank manager or a municipal officer. Any documents bearing signature and photograph may be used. Naturalized citizens should carry their naturalization certificates, and non-naturalized residents of the United States must have a re-entry permit issued by the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Automobiles enter Canada for personal transportation for a period up to six months without payment of duty or deposit. On reporting to Customs at the Port of Entry, a permit for the car is made out. State license cards should be carried. On leaving Canada a car must be cleared through Canadian Customs. Highway regulations in Ontario differ little from those in most of the United States.

A visitor from the United States who has been in Canada 48 hours may, every 31 days, take back free of duty articles aggregating up to $200 in value if they are for personal or household use. If the period of absence from the United States totals 13 days, an additional allowance of $300 duty free importation is made once every 6 months. When husband and wife, parents and children or related members of a single household are traveling together, the exemptions may be grouped and allowance will be made without regard to which member of the family is the owner.

United States money is at present at the discount of about 3% in Canada, i.e. $1.03 in United States currency is exchanged for $1.00 in Canadian money. The exchange at the prevailing rate may be made easily at any Canadian bank. There is no limitation on the amount of United States money which may be brought into Canada. American Express Travelers Checks may be cashed readily in Canada. It is not advisable to attempt to cash personal checks on United States banks.

The weather in Toronto in June is usually very pleasant with the temperature likely to be around 70 degrees and more.

BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE

Dr. Arnold D. Ehlert, Chairman of the Building and Equipment Committee, requests that any ATLA members who have inaugurated building programs since the last ATLA Conference report them to him at their early convenience. Plans, blueprints, pictures, and similar illustrative materials may either be sent in advance to Dr. Ehlert at the Biola Library, 558 South Hope Street, Los Angeles 17, California, or may be brought to Toronto and turned over to him there for display at the 1959 Conference.

UNION SEMINARY (NYC) CONSIDERS PUBLISHING SHELF LIST

The Library of Union Theological Seminary in New York has under consideration the possibility of the reproduction of its Shelf List card catalog, in book form. An approach has been made to them by G. K. Hall & Company of Boston, publisher of comparable bibliographical tools, to engage in the project. It is estimated that there are 300,000 cards. This would result in about 14,290 - 10 x 14 pages with 21 cards to a page or 14 volumes of about 1000 pages each. The publisher would require 25 subscriptions at a price per copy of $715.

In forming an estimate of the potential usefulness of this publication to your seminary library, the following considerations may be helpful:

(a) While order of cards is classed, an alphabetical subject index to the classification is planned as a supplement;

(b) There are no tracings or contents notes;

(c) It would be hoped that the thousands of present guide and information cards would be included.

Questions: Is your library interested? Does the project seem to you to be valuable? Without any commitment whatsoever on the part of your own library, Union will be grateful for your reactions. If the interest seems to justify the possibility of publication, a specific proposal will be prepared and circulated by G. K. Hall & Company. Please send your comments to Mr. Robert F. Beach, Librarian, Union Theological Seminary, 3041 Broadway, New York 27, New York.

ATLA BOARD OF MICROTEXT OFFERS NEW ITEMS

The ATLA Board of Microtext announces that it can now supply positive microfilm copies of the following items at the prices quoted plus postage:

Barth: Römerbrief (1. aufl.) 1919. $4.50
Christian Oracle, Chicago. Volumes 1-15. (Filmed from the most complete file available) $96.00
Strype: Historical and Biographical Works. 24 volumes. $90.00

Orders for the above should be sent to Dr. Raymond P. Morris, ATLA Board of Microtext, 409 Prospect Street, New Haven 11, Connecticut. Portions of these or other films in the ATLA microtext project can be supplied at a cost of $.14 per lineal foot with a minimum charge of $5.00. The invoice will be forwarded with the film, and payment should be made to the above address.

ATLA INDEX, 1949-1952, OUT OF PRINT

The American Library Association Publishing Department notified the American Theological Library Association on April 9, 1959, that the ATLA Index to Religious Periodicals, 1949-1952 is out of print.

NEWS OF ATLA MEMBERS

Mr. Wendell Alford, Serials Librarian of Fleming Library, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, has resigned his position to become Serials Librarian at Iowa State Teachers College in Cedar Falls, Iowa. His resignation will be effective July 31, at which time he will have been a member of the Fleming Library staff for five years. Mr. Alford holds a B. A. degree from Stetson University, a B. D. degree from Southwestern Seminary, and will receive his B. S. degree in library service from North Texas State College in Denton this summer.

Dr. R. Pierce Beaver, Professor of Missions on the Federated Theological Faculty at the University of Chicago and former Librarian of the Missionary Research Library in New York City, left Chicago on May 7 for an eight-months tour of Asia. He will visit East Asia countries from Japan and Korea to Indonesia and will return home by way of South India. Despite numerous lecture engagements in theological colleges, universities, and religious organizations, Dr. Beaver intends his trip to be a study tour seeking information on the situation of the young churches, cultural movements, and trends in the Asian faiths. Dr. Beaver will be accompanied on the trip by his wife. They expect to arrive home next Christmas.

Dr. L. R. Elliott, the allegedly retired Librarian of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, is serving as library consultant to the new Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Missouri, is editing the Texas section of a forthcoming volume of Southern Baptist biographies, remains a trustee of the Fort Worth Public Library, is serving as the chairman of a committee on a million-dollar advancement program for that institution, and either has just finished or is still engaged in at least six other writing and speaking projects.

Mrs. Elvire Hilgert, Cataloger at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C., returned to her position in February after spending a leave of two and a half years in Basel, Switzerland. Mrs. Hilgert accompanied her husband to Basel where he was engaged in studies leading to the Doctor of Theology degree which he was awarded just prior to their return to America.

Mr. John E. Kephart will become Librarian of Westmont College in Santa Barbara, California, on September 1, 1959. Mr. Kephart is at present at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor where he is writing his doctoral dissertation. He was formerly Librarian of Wheaton College and Graduate School of Theology, Wheaton, Illinois.

Dr. Roger Nicole, Curator of the Library at Gordon Divinity School, Beverly Farms, Massachusetts, delivered the Payton Lectures at Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, California, April 6-10, 1959.

NEWS OF ATLA MEMBERS - Continued

Mr. James Dudley Sistrunk has resigned his position as Circulation Librarian of the Fleming Library at the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, to become Associate Librarian of the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, North Carolina. His resignation will be effective July 15.

Mr. Sistrunk holds the B. A. degree from Baylor University and the B. D. degree from the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He expects to receive his B. S. degree in library service from North Texas State College in Denton this coming summer. Mr. Sistrunk has been a member of the Fleming Library staff since 1954 and has served as Circulation Librarian for the past two years.

Miss Constance E. Stennes resigned her position as Librarian of the Facultad Luterana de Teologia, Buenos Aires, Argentina, in December 1958, and is now engaged in completing her M. S. degree in library science. She is also carrying on independent study at the Facultad Evangelica de Teologia in Buenos Aires.

HOWARD COLLEGE LIBRARY INAUGURATES SERIES

The Library of Howard College in Birmingham, Alabama, published Paper No. 1 in its new Howard College Library Research Series late in 1958. It is entitled: Historical Studies of Alabama Baptist Churches and Associations: A Checklist, and was prepared by Roy M. Atchison and Arthur L. Walker, Jr.

The Papers will appear occasionally rather than regularly and will treat non-theological as well as theological subjects. Individual Papers are available upon request from Mr. F. Wilbur Helmbold, Librarian, Howard College, Birmingham 9, Alabama.

ANDOVER NEWTON ACQUIRES HAWAIIAN COLLECTION

The Andover Newton Theological Library, Newton Centre, Massachusetts, has received a gift from Professor and Mrs. John Leslie Dunstan of about fifty books on the Hawaiian Islands. Dr. Dunstan, who has been Professor of Missions and Comparative Religion at Andover Newton since 1954, was General Secretary of the Hawaiian Evangelical Association while Mrs. Dunstan served as Guidance Director at Punahou School, Honolulu.

The collection numbers several scarce family histories which were privately printed. There are also many accounts of the early activity of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions in Hawaii and histories of local churches. Included are commemorative volumes issued by business firms in the Islands.

UNION LIST OF SERIALS PROGRAM ANNOUNCED

Plans for a third edition of the Union List of Serials by the end of 1962 were announced following a meeting of the Joint Committee on the Union List of Serials held in Chicago on January 29. The Committee's Chairman, Dr. Frank B. Rogers, of the National Library of Medicine stated that work on details of organization will be pressed as rapidly as possible. Funds required for editorial costs have been greatly reduced under the new plan, and it is anticipated that a sales price can be set within the capacity of many of the smaller libraries.

The third edition will incorporate the titles and holdings in the second edition and its two supplements into one alphabet. To this more useful arrangement there will be added a substantial amount of new material and many corrections of present holding records will be made. Information for revisions and corrections will come from the following sources:

1. A large amount of information already in hand which has been previously reported by cooperating libraries.
2. New titles and holdings represented by records of serials in the National Union Catalog at the Library of Congress. New holdings will be added to the present Union List of Serials records to give better regional representation. Titles found to be new to the Union List of Serials, and within the Gregory definition of serials, will be published in a checking edition to collect holdings of libraries.
3. New holdings and information for deletions and corrections voluntarily submitted by participating libraries.

After editorial work on the third edition of the Union List of Serials has been completed, it is contemplated that New Serial Titles will be enlarged to include pre-1950 serials within the scope of the Union List of Serials but not included in the new edition. At the present time, a limited number of copies of the second supplement of the Union List of Serials are available from the H. W. Wilson Company.

It is anticipated that an editorial office will be established at the Library of Congress under general policy direction of the Joint Committee and administrative direction of the Library of Congress. A full description of the program for the third edition of the Union List of Serials is expected to appear in press by early June. The officers of the Joint Committee will announce significant new developments as the program progresses.

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST SEMINARY PLANS MOVE

The Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary in Washington, D. C., has recently become part of Potomac University, a newly-chartered institution. Unavailability of land for expansion in Washington, however, has led the Trustees of the University to purchase land for a new campus adjoining Emmanuel Missionary College in Berrien Springs, Michigan. The new name for the institution has not yet been chosen. Classes for first-year students will be held on the Berrien Springs campus this fall; but classes for all others will continue on the Washington campus during the 1959-1960 term. Plans are already under study for the construction of the new library which will be needed on the Michigan campus.

PERIODICALS - BIRTHS AND DEATHS

The periodical, Biblical Research, which was described in this column in the last issue of the Newsletter (v. 6, no. 2, p. 62) has announced a change in the manner in which subscriptions are to be handled. Subscriptions should now be addressed to Biblical Research, 800 West Belden Avenue, Chicago 14, Illinois. Three numbers of the annual publication have been issued. Subscriptions beginning with vol. 1 are acceptable. The rate is five years for $5.00. Single issues are $1.25.

The Journal of Church Music began publication with volume 1, number 1 in January 1959. It is to appear monthly except July and August, when a single issue will be published for these two months.

The Editor of the Journal is Barbara Fisher, who writes in the March 1959 issue, "Journal of Church Music is a monthly magazine for choir directors, organists, leaders of children's choirs, pastors, and members of music committees. We are dedicated to serving these leaders entrusted with the music in our churches. Concerned with their interests and problems, we believe that a practical journal with articles offering specific suggestions and illustrations will be helpful. With repertoire a basic consideration, we include reproductions of carefully selected anthems. The Journal is a tool to be used by those directly responsible for leading choirs and congregations in worshipping God through music."

In addition to feature articles, practical suggestions for music leaders, and reproductions of anthems, the Journal will also include reviews of books of interest to the church musician, and announcements and news of choir schools and music festivals.

The Journal of Church Music is published at the United Lutheran Publication House in Philadelphia and is copyrighted by the Muhlenberg Press. The subscription rate is $3.50 a year. Single copies are .50 each. All subscriptions and inquiries should be addressed: Journal of Church Music, 2900 Queen Lane, Philadelphia 29, Pennsylvania.

BOSTON GROUP HOLDS SPRING MEETING

The Boston Group of Theological Librarians held its spring meeting on Thursday evening, April 16, on the campus of Gordon College and Divinity School in Beverly Farms, Massachusetts. Librarians from nine Boston area institutions attended. After dinner at a nearby restaurant, the members toured Gordon's Winn Library (for undergraduates), Mrs. Lenice F. Reed, Director, and the Divinity School Library, Dr. Roger Nicole, Curator. Students in the College's Division of Humanities presented a performance of P. W. Turner's morality play, "Christ in the Concrete City," for the group; and a social hour completed the evening.

Mr. Robert W. Sillen, Librarian of Andover Newton Theological School in Newton Centre, Massachusetts, has been Chairman of the Boston Group during the past year. Miss Lenice F. Reed of Gordon was elected at the April meeting to succeed him for the 1959-1960 term of office.

BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT NOTES

The Bucknell Library of Crozer Theological Seminary, Chester, Pennsylvania, is constructing an addition to its quarters which will provide space for a rare book room, a museum, a seminar room, and a room for audio-visual materials. It is expected to be ready for use in September. Mr. Stephen M. Reynolds is the Librarian.

Construction is well under way on the new $325,000 library building at the Dallas Theological Seminary, Dallas, Texas, according to Dr. James F. Rand, Librarian. The multi-purpose building will contain three stories, two of which will be devoted to library purposes immediately. Temporary classrooms will occupy the basement for the present, but later the area will be devoted to stacks and additional reading areas. Stack capacity is 100,000 volumes and ultimately the building will seat 225 readers to serve an anticipated future student body of 500. At ground-breaking ceremonies on February 8, Mr. John E. Mitchell, chairman of the seminary's board of incorporate members, announced that the air-conditioned building will be named the Mosher Library in honor of a Dallas family who have been life-long benefactors of the seminary. Completion date for the building has been set for late fall with the move into the new facilities tentatively set for the opening of the second semester in January 1960.

The General Theological Seminary in New York City plans to begin demolition of its present library building sometime during the second half of this coming summer to make way for the construction of its new library scheduled for completion in 1961. The book collection has been divided into two sections until the new building is ready for use. A basic collection of 50,000 volumes will be housed in improvised stacks for continuing faculty and student use, while a second collection of 75,000 lesser-used books will go into warehouse storage for two years.

Harvard Divinity School will begin construction of a new library wing late this season. The future addition, adjoining Andover Hall at the southwest corner, will provide reading, study and office space and will double present stacks for the 210,000-volume library.

The architect chosen for this purpose is Mr. James Clapp of Shepley, Bulfinch, Richardson and Abbott in Boston. The projected edifice, with limestone and glass facade, will probably have two floors of stack room below ground and two stories above ground. Construction will allow for necessary extension of the building at a later date. The first stages will cost in excess of $600,000.

Immediate groundbreaking is made possible by a gift of $275,000 from the James Foundation of New York. Additional funds are being advanced for present use from the general accounts of the University.

The Library of the Lancaster Theological Seminary in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, has recently increased its book storage space by opening two new stack rooms for use. Remodeling of the basement of the main building has provided additional space for the general collection; and the installation of steel shelving in the third floor of the reference section has furnished new space for periodicals. Mr. George H. Bricker is the Librarian.

BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT NOTES - Continued

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, expects completion of its new library building by July 31 of this year, construction having begun in June of 1958. The new building is 175 feet long and 100 feet deep with four floors and 75,000 square feet of floor space. There will be seating for 600 to 800 persons at one time and the book capacity will be 300,000 volumes. The total cost of the building will be about $1,750,000.

The new library was adopted as the centennial project of the Seminary since the institution celebrates its 100th anniversary this year. The alumni have contributed substantially to the cost of the building; and the cornerstone will be laid on Wednesday, May 20 as a part of the annual alumni meeting. After the building is completed in July, it is hoped that the new Remington Rand equipment can be installed and the book collection moved into its new quarters by September 15 when the fall semester will begin. The formal dedication of the library will probably be delayed until January 1960, so that it may be held in connection with the annual Founders' Day.

On March 5, 1959, Texas Christian University, in Fort Worth, Texas, dedicated a $1,300,000 addition to its library building. Chancellor Harvie Branscomb of Vanderbilt was the principal speaker. The building now has a capacity of approximately 850,000 volumes and will seat 950. An area is reserved for use of the students of Brite College of the Bible.

The outstanding exterior architectural feature of the building is mobile, vertical louvers, operated by a timeclock, which protect the south and west windows from the sun. The interior of the addition is flexibly designed to accommodate both reading areas and free-standing bookstacks; and they are interspersed throughout the three-story building. The stacks are now open to all users. Special rooms are provided for faculty research, group study, typing, microtext materials, and rare books. The loan desk and reading tables have formica tops. Colorful lounge furniture has been used in the current periodicals area and other appropriate places.

CHRISTIAN LIBRARIANS' FELLOWSHIP TO MEET

The Christian Librarians' Fellowship will hold its third annual conference at the Washington Bible College, Washington, D.C., June 18-20, 1959, immediately preceding the American Library Association Conference. The theme of this year's meeting is to be "Ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake." The group also proposes to adopt a constitution and by-laws and to make other organizational plans for the future.

The Christian Librarians' Fellowship is composed largely of librarians from Bible colleges, Bible institutes, and evangelical Christian colleges. Inquiries regarding the organization may be addressed to Miss Ivy Olson, Librarian, Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois, or to Miss Shirley N. Wood, Librarian, Columbia Bible College, Columbia, South Carolina.

METHODIST LIBRARIANS CONVENE IN NASHVILLE

The Upper Room Devotional Library in Nashville, Tennessee, invited the various Methodist theological seminary librarians to meet in Nashville for two days, April 13-14, to discuss problems of general and mutual interest. The meeting was designed primarily as a round-table discussion for the free interchange of information relative to holdings, plans, and projects of the several seminaries.

The meeting was attended by Mr. Elton Shell, Southern California School of Theology; Mrs. John Warnick, Perkins School of Theology; Miss Elizabeth Royer, Candler School of Theology; Mr. Eugene Craig, Gammon Theological Seminary; Mr. Ray Suput, Garrett Biblical Institute; Mrs. Emily Chandler, Wesley Theological Seminary; and Mr. Larry Kline and Dr. Arthur Jones, Drew Theological Seminary. Also present for the meetings were Miss Else Bjornstad, Together magazine; Mr. Frank Grisham, Vanderbilt Divinity School; Miss Elizabeth Hughey, Methodist Publishing House; and Miss Mary Joan Finger, Scarritt College. Dr. Jannette Newhall, Boston University School of Theology; Dr. Martin Rist, Iliff School of Theology; and Mr. Donn Michael Farris, Duke Divinity School, were unable to attend.

Meeting in conjunction with the librarians' group was the Microtext Committee of the Methodist Church. This committee is composed of Mr. Decherd Turner, Perkins School of Theology; Dr. Gerald McCulloch and Dr. Harold Porter, Methodist Board of Education; Dr. Douglas Chandler, Wesley Theological Seminary; Dr. Richard M. Cameron, Boston University School of Theology; and Dr. James W. May, Candler School of Theology. The Microtext Committee held two joint meetings with the librarians in addition to its own meetings.

RECENT EXHIBITIONS

Personal papers and effects of Samuel Francis Smith (1808-1895), author of "America," owned by the Andover Newton Theological Library, Newton Centre, Massachusetts, were loaned to the Newton Free Library for an exhibit during the month of February. The exhibit was arranged to reintroduce the poet to the people of Newton. A drive to collect funds to restore the Newton homestead of Smith, who was minister of the First Baptist Church and a resident of the city for over 50 years, is underway by interested citizens. Smith was a graduate of Harvard College in the class of 1829 and of Andover Theological Seminary, class of 1832. He was a champion of foreign missions and among his 150 hymns and poems were many written to stir missionary interest.

The Library of the General Theological Seminary in New York was host on Sunday afternoon, April 5, to the Grolier Club of New York City, at a tea and exhibition centered upon the Prayer Book and upon the Bible collection of the Library. Forty-nine members were in attendance. The greater part of the exhibition dealt with the Prayer Book but also displayed were the Seminary's Gutenberg Bible, a number of Gutenberg association pieces, a selection of the Library's more important Bibles, and some examples of the rebinding and restoration work done for the Library during the past decade. Dr. Niels H. Sonne is the Librarian.

CHRISTIAN LIBRARIANS' FELLOWSHIP ANNOUNCES NEW RELIGIOUS PERIODICAL INDEX

The first volume of the Index to Christian Periodicals, prepared by the Christian Librarians' Fellowship, will be ready for distribution in June 1959. It will index the 1958 volumes of eighteen periodicals not included in the Wilson periodical indexes or, for the most part, in the ATLA Index to Religious Pericdical Literature. The titles to be indexed are as follows:

Alliance Witness
Bibliotheca Sacra
Christian Etude
Christian Heritage
Christian Life
Christian Parent
Christianity Today
Eternity
Evangelical Christian
Frontier
His
International Review of Missions
Journal of American Scientific Association
Moody Monthly
Pastoral Psychology
Sunday School Times
Westminster Theological Journal
Youth for Christ

The Index will be priced at $4.00 to members of the Christian Librarians' Fellowship, and at $5.00 to others. Inquiries and orders may be directed to Mrs. Ruth Butler, Librarian, Buffalo Bible Institute, 910 Union Road (Route 18B), Buffalo 24, New York.

BOSTON FIRM OFFERS SHORT-RUN PUBLISHING AND REPRINTING SERVICE

Economical small edition reprinting and also publishing from original manuscript are announced as new services of G. K. Hall & Company of Boston.

Specializing in short-run printing, this company will reprint books by a special printing process in editions of 25 to 500 copies. Also, contracts will be made to publish original typed copy in book form to permit small edition distribution of works for which there is not a demand for sufficient numbers of copies to be of interest to the large commercial book publishers or to justify typesetting.

Printing processes developed by G. K. Hall & Company for small edition printing of large library catalogs are now being used for regular book printing. Printing will be done on a high quality book paper, with either a 5" x 7" or 7" x 10" page size. A choice of paper back or hard cover editions is available.

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The Library of Union Theological Seminary in Richmond is searching for the intended recipient of a number of single issues of the International Review of Missions from v. 10 through v. 19, on the ATLA Periodical Exchange Program. The Union Library, which maintains the records for this title in the program, believes that the library which requested these issues did so several years ago. The package containing the periodicals was received at the Chicago Post Office without an address and was sent to the Dead Letter Office where apparently it remained for a considerable time, since it was only recently returned to the sender. Any librarian who made such a request for issues of the International Review of Missions and who never received them should communicate with Dr. Henry M. Brimm, Librarian, Union Theological Seminary, 3401 Brook Road, Richmond 27, Virginia.

The University of Notre Dame Library is attempting to assemble a complete file on paper of the ATLA Proceedings but still needs the issues for the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 9th, and 11th Conferences. Any ATLA member who has expendable duplicates of one or more of these issues should communicate with Dr. Victor A. Schaefer, Director of Libraries, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana.

The Divinity School Library at the University of Chicago offers for sale in quantity the following two items of interest to ATLA members:

Baker, Archibald Gillies, ed. A Short History of Christianity. Chicago, 1940. $1.00 a copy, with a 20% discount on 6 or more copies.

Hocking, William Ernest. Evangelism: An Address on Permanance and Change in Church and Mission. 1935. .10 a copy or .05 a copy in quantities of two or more.

Orders should be addressed to Mr. Richard E. Starkey, Swift Library, University of Chicago, Chicago 37, Illinois.

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Minimal qualifications include graduation from an accredited library school, preferably a knowledge of theology and reading ability in German and Latin. Age, race and denomination are not important, but local conditions would rule out physical handicaps such as speech, and severe locomotor difficulty. This library has a staff of three professional and two clerical members, an annual budget for books of between $5,000 and $6,000 and for all library purposes of over $25,000. Applications should be addressed to Miss Margaret J. Hort, Lutheran Theological Seminary, 7301 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia 19, Pennsylvania.